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In re Application of: Veronica BROCKHURST et al.

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**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO**  
**NOTICE OF MISSING PARTS**

Assistant Commissioner For Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicants petition for an extension of time for a three (3) month to and including December 13, 2001, in which to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated July 13, 2001.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.17, a check in the amount of \$460.00 (small entity) is enclosed.

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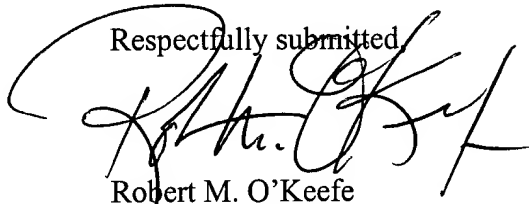
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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. M. O'Keefe", written over the typed name.

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